number of new job opportunities created as a result thereof; and

(d) the amount of fund earmarked for the purpose alongwith the target fixed for the creation of job opportunities in the current year; 1993-94?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (d) The National Renewal Fund (NRF) was set up in February, 1992 to provide a social safety net to the labour affected by technology upgradation and modernisation of Indian Industry. The national Renewal Fund has the following components:

**(i) National Renewal Grant Fund:**

This will inter-alia, provide assistance for payment of compensation to Employees affected by industrial restructuring and for their retraining, counselling and re-development.

**(ii) Employment Generation Fund:**

This will provide resources for employment generation in both the organised and unorganised sectors.

In the first instance, assistance from National Renewal Fund has been provided for implementation of Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS) of Central Public Sector Undertakings. A provision of Rs. 829.66 crores in the year 1992-93 (Revised Estimates) and Rs. 700 crores in the year 1993-94 (Budget Estimates) had been made for the purpose. This amount includes provision for interim liquidity requirements of textile industry in the Public Sector as well.

**Sale of shares of Hindustan Zinc Limited**

@@1441. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of shares of Hindustan Zinc Limited offered for sale under the recent Public Sector Undertaking disinvestment scheme;

(b) the details of the brokers for this sale; and

(c) what amount was realised from the sale of these shares?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) During 1992-93, Government offered 605.98 lakh shares of Hindustan Zinc Limited in three tranches for sale. A sum of Rs. 81.55 crores was realised in three tranches through sale of 209.74 lakh shares. The sale was effected by inviting bids directly from Financial Institutions Mutual Funds, Banks, Institutions, Individuals, Registered Brokers etc, who are permitted to buy, hold and sell shares in India.

**खादी तथा ग्रामोद्योग आयोग द्वारा कम्बलों की सप्लाई**

1442. **श्रीमती कमला सिन्हा :**
**श्री कृष्ण लाल शर्मा :**

क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि खादी ग्रामोद्योग द्वारा सेना में सप्लाई किये गये पांच लाख ऊनी कम्बल ऊनी खादी की न होकर मिलों के बने हुए थे ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या इस मामले की जांच की गई है और इस कुप्रबंध के जिम्मेदार व्यक्तियों के नाम क्या हैं तथा उनके विरुद्ध क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ?

@@Previously Unstarred Question 764, transferred from 30th July, 1993.